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**IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: Josephus Johannes Maria BRAAT et al.

Appl. No.: **NEW NATIONAL PHASE  
APPLICATION IN THE  
UNITED STATES** Group:

Filed: March 8, 2002 Examiner:

For: ACHROMATIC PHASE SHIFT DEVICE AND  
INTERFEROMETER USING ACHROMATIC PHASE  
SHIFT DEVICE

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

March 8, 2002

Sir:

Prior to the first Official Action and calculation of the filing fee, the following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

**IN THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE:**

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Please insert the Abstract of the Disclosure attached on a separate sheet attached hereto.

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

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